

HOT SPRINGS, ARK., SWEEP BY FLAMES

COURT HOUSE, CITY HALL, JAIL,
AND HIGH SCHOOL AMONG
BUILDINGS DESTROYED.

THIRTY BLOCKS ARE IN RUINS

Fire Starting in Negro Cabin Is
Fanned by 40-Mile-an-Hour Wind
and Is Soon Beyond Control of
Firemen and Volunteers.

Hot Springs, Ark.—Fire which started in the southeastern section of Hot Springs swept a path of destruction seven blocks wide and 15 blocks long, destroying many of the principal hotels and public buildings. The loss is estimated at more than \$10,000,000. So far as can be learned no persons have been sacrificed in the flames, but many animals were burned to death.

A gale of 30 to 40 miles velocity fanned the flames and swept them through the L-shaped valley in which the city is situated, and all efforts of the Hot Springs fire department and that of Little Rock, which arrived by special train, to check the onrush were unavailing.

The fire, which started in a negro cabin, slowly died out at the foot of West Mountain, the southern extremity of Hot Springs.

Hurry Call for Outside Aid.
The fire started on Church street, east of the government reservation and army and navy hospital. Sweeping southeastwardly, it burned fiercely, rapidly destroying the frame buildings and shacks in the district.

When the rising wind shifted and swept the flames in the direction of the business and hotel region the city officials sent hurried and urgent appeals to Little Rock for aid.

The fire burned west on Malvern avenue, destroying the Park hotel and numerous wholesale houses.

Post Office Is Destroyed.
Again the gale shifted and the fire was swept south, leveling the new high school, post office, Auditorium theater and Ozark sanitarium.

Other buildings destroyed were the Moody and Princess hotels, Garland county court house, city hall and the new city jail.

The inmates of the Ozark sanitarium, which was destroyed, were all safely moved to the St. Joseph infirmary.

Although no casualties were reported many persons were injured or slightly burned.

With the destruction of the water and light plants the city was plunged in darkness at nightfall but for the glare of the destructive flames.

More than 30 blocks of buildings had been destroyed and the fire rapidly approached the main business district of Central and Ouachita avenues.

A supreme effort of the fire fighters to divert the flames away from the city's most pretentious residence district met with success. It was the purpose of the firemen to sidetrack the flames toward a suburb of South Hot Springs.

When the wind again veered dynamite was used to good effect in keeping the flames away from the Central avenue district, and the fire seized upon South Hot Springs as its prey.

CAMNETTI IS OUT ON BAIL

Jury Finds Him Guilty—Sentence Is to Be Pronounced When His Companion Will Learn Fate.

San Francisco, Cal.—Farley Drew Camnetti, son of the commissioner general of immigration, was found guilty on one count of the indictment charging him with violation of the Mann white slave traffic act.

Bail in the sum of \$10,000 was furnished by Frank Freeman of Willows, Cal., and G. Bagchiapuri of San Francisco, and was ready to be filed with the United States marshal when the verdict was announced.

Sentence will be pronounced on the day set for sentence of Harry I. Drees, jointly indicted with Camnetti and convicted on four counts.

Runaway Engine Kills Two.

Salt Lake City, Utah.—Freeman William Bette and Brakeman T. Scott were killed and Brakeman George Miller was injured when a runaway engine left the track of the Idaho Northern extension of the Oregon Short Line.

\$87,500 for Gram of Radium.

Berlin.—The Prussian government paid \$87,500 for gram of radium for a public hospital.

Selph Chosen Postmaster.

Washington.—The nomination of Collin M. Selph to be postmaster of St. Louis was sent to the senate and confirmed. There had been a deadlock over the postmasterhip since shortly after Wilson's election.

Fasts 56 Days, Is Dead.

Harrisburg, Pa.—William Boldeman, nearly 96 years old, died here, after a fast of 56 days, during which time he ate but two small pieces of toast. His fast was due to grief at the death of a close relative.

Alfonso Saves Assailant.

Madrid.—King Alfonso commuted the sentences of six prisoners who had been condemned for life. Among them was the anarchist who tried three shots at the king in an attempt to assassinate him April 13.

25 Injured in Clash.

Galveston, Tex.—Twenty-five persons were injured, three probably fatally, in a clash between soldiers, negroes and Mexicans. The trouble started when a negro struck a soldier. Four of the injured were stabbed.

MRS. JOSEPH E. RANDELL



Mrs. Joseph E. Randell, wife of the new senator from Louisiana, is no stranger to Washington. She has lived there since her husband first came to congress in 1899.

HUERTA TO QUIT, REPORT

EXECUTIVE PICKS TREVINO FOR SUCCESSOR.

O'Shaughnessy and Lind Are in Frequent Communication With the Mexican Government.

City of Mexico.—That General Huerta intends to quit the presidency in favor of Gen. Trevino and become a candidate at the October elections is the statement made by a well-known Mexican close to the administration. Gen. Trevino is making his way to the capital, and little effort has been made to disguise the fact that he has been officially summoned. There are persistent rumors of impending changes in the cabinet, and it is said that Gen. Trevino is to be made minister of foreign relations in order legally to succeed to the presidency. He was reported to be at Tampico Tuesday, and is expected to reach the City of Mexico.

The American exodus appears to be practically at an end. Only a small percentage of the American residents of the capital left.

Washington, D. C.—Administration officials declared that both Nelson O'Shaughnessy, charge d'affaires of the American embassy at the City of Mexico, and John Lind, President Wilson's personal envoy at Vera Cruz, were in frequent communication with officials of the Huerta government concerning a new basis for negotiations through which it was hoped to bring about peace in Mexico.

A message from Mr. O'Shaughnessy reached President Wilson, and while its contents were not disclosed, it was said to be indicative of important developments in the next few days.

SLAYS SHERIFF; ENDS LIFE

W. M. Flemming Meets Death Attempting to Arrest Nimrod Huff at Sullivan.

Decatur, Ill.—Sheriff W. M. Flemming of Moultrie county was shot dead near Sullivan, Ill., when he attempted to arrest Nimrod Huff, who was wanted for an assault with a cane knife on Nora Sipe, his sweetheart, a domestic in the employ of Mrs. Perry Bland. Policeman John Tolly was wounded by a shot from the second barrel of the gun, but his injuries are superficial.

BANKER AND \$130,000 GONE

Fort Worth, Tex., Institution's Affairs Ordered to Be Investigated by U. S. District Attorney.

Washington, D. C.—A defalcation of \$130,000 in the State National Bank of Fort Worth, Tex., was reported to Thomas P. Kane, acting comptroller of the currency, by National Bank Examiner Van Zandt.

The shortage will not affect the solvency of the bank.

Ends Life by Biting Dynamite.

Melrose, Mont.—Joseph Labister, aged 42, a pioneer prospector, committed suicide in his cabin, near Melrose, by biting a dynamite cap, the explosion of which drove a piece of copper into his brain and broke his neck.

One Killed, Eight Hurt.

Albia, Ia.—One person was killed and eight hurt when a tornado tore down the tent of the Yankee Robinson circus. Edward McConville, 12 years old, was struck on the head by a stake and killed.

Tries to Save Sister, Both Drown.

Little Rock, Ark.—When Jack Boone, 8 years old, saw his sister Dorothy, aged 9, struggling beyond her depth in the Arkansas river, near here, he went to her assistance. Both were drowned.

Division Placed on War Footing.

Galveston, Tex.—The second United States army division, under Gen. Carter, again was placed on a war footing, upon orders received from Washington. The troops are ready to embark at a minute's notice.

Cairo Building 60-Foot Levee.

Cairo, Ill.—Work has been begun on the new 60-foot levee at Cairo, for which more than \$1,000,000 has been appropriated. Members of the Illinois river and lake commission were here to witness the start.

ENVOY OF HUERTA TO U. S.

FORMER AMBASSADOR INCLIN-
TO REOPEN NEGOTIATIONS.

Wilson and Bryan Confident Favor-
able Developments Are Near—
Huerta Out of Race.

Vera Cruz, Mexico.—On an errand almost identical with that of John Lind to Mexico, Manuel de Zamacoa E. Inclan, former ambassador at Washington, sailed from here and will proceed immediately to the American capital. It is understood that Senor de Inclan will take up the diplomatic end of the case at Washington for Gen. Huerta.

What proposals he has been instructed to place before President Wilson and Secretary of State Bryan are not known generally, but it is believed he will urge the necessity of more cordial co-operation between the two governments. It is asserted that President Wilson will be assured of the good faith of Gen. Huerta in refraining from becoming a candidate for the presidency in the election in October.

Washington, D. C.—President Wilson and Secretary Bryan have adopted the attitude that the elimination of Victoriano Huerta from the presidential race in Mexico is assured, and that an effort on the part of Huerta to circumvent the constitution by resigning in advance of the elections in favor of another provisional president would be regarded by the United States as a breach of faith before the world.

THAW LOSES PLEA IN COURT

Deportation of Slayer From Canada Now Rests on Question of Insanity—Lawyers Ask for Writ.

Cotuit, Quebec.—The only question now to be decided by the board of inquiry of the Dominion immigration department in its hearing looking toward the deportation of Harry K. Thaw is whether the slayer of Stanford White is sane or insane. If adjudged insane, as is confidently expected, he will be ordered out of the country, but maybe not for several days. The contention raised by Thaw that he was a tourist traveling through Canada en route to Detroit, Mich., was overruled by the board of inquiry.

M. K. Lafamme, K. C., now chief counsel for Thaw, left Cotuit mysteriously, and it is understood he had gone to Montreal to obtain a writ of habeas corpus to liberate Thaw from the custody of the immigration authorities.

J. D. BACKS MORAL "MOVIES"

Theatrical Company Financed by National Vice Commission to Work in New Orleans' Slums.

New Orleans, La.—A theatrical company of 20, backed financially by John D. Rockefeller and the National Vice Commission, arrived here to stage a big moving picture play in "Storyville," New Orleans' tenebrous London, to show the life of a white slave from the time of leaving high school until she enters a brothel.

The segregated district here is 15 city squares wide, and as many long, and is known as "Storyville," after the Alderman who had the disreputable houses segregated.

"ALFALFA BILL" WANTS WAR

Oklahoma Congressman, Backed by Texan, Would Wipe Huerta From Face of the Earth.

Washington, D. C.—Characterizing President Wilson's Mexican policy as "futile and foolish," Representative "Alfalfa Bill" Murray of Oklahoma demanded of the house that this country follow the "usual doctrine of protection of our citizens' lives and property abroad."

Murray's fiery oratory raised a sudden storm of war-talk. Representative Garrett of Texas declared that he "as a Texan would fight to the last any effort to recognize Old Huerta or any of his crowd."

SUSPECT INJURED BY TRAIN

Child's Bank Stolen by Murderer of Woman and Baby Found on Negro Hit by Train.

Omaha, Neb.—Mrs. Rasmus Peterson and her 2-year-old child, living near Fremont, were murdered, their bodies being discovered the following day. Robbery was the object and a child's saving bank, No. 1495, was stolen.

Joe Waters, a Negro, Was Found

near the railroad tracks near South Omaha, fatally injured. He had been struck by a passing train. In his pocket was a child's bank, No. 1495. He claimed he had found the bank before he died.

Jap Official Is Stabbed.

Tokio, Japan.—An attempt was made to assassinate Moritomo Abe, director of the political bureau of the Japanese foreign office. He was stabbed in the abdomen and is suffering from a severe wound.

Sleepwalker Wedged in Ship Porthole.

New York.—John Steel, walking in his sleep aboard the Oceanic in mid-ocean, wedged himself in a porthole. Officers lassoed his feet as they dangled out the side of the ship and pulled him on deck.

St. Petersburg, Russia—Provisional

President Yuan-Shi-Kai of the Chinese republic issued a decree announcing his intention of resigning as soon as peace is restored, according to a telegram from Mukden.

Thirteen Killed in Train Wreck.

Derby, England.—Thirteen persons were killed, seven probably fatally hurt and many other injured in a rear-end collision between two famous North England express trains on the Midland railroad near Algliff.

TOKIO MOB RISES AGAINST MINISTRY

FAST CROWD STONES FOREIGN
OFFICE DEMANDING VEN-
GEANCE ON CHINA.

INFLAMED BY FOUL MURDER

Killing of Diplomat Stirs Outcry Over Policy Abroad—Attacks Government for Treatment of California Dispute.

Tokio.—The assassination of Moritomo Abe, director of the political bureau of the Japanese foreign office, has inflamed the masses, and a dramatic chapter in the history of the new Japan was written.

Fifteen thousand persons gathered in mass meeting in Hibiya park, calling for military action against China. A majority of these marched to the foreign office and clamored for abdication. They demanded the dispatch of troops to China, to take such measures as were necessary to obtain satisfaction for the killing of Japanese, at Nanking, or failing this, the resignation of the minister of foreign affairs, Baron Nobuaki Makino.

The speakers denounced the emptiness of Japanese diplomacy in connection with California and China, and insisted that the insult to the Japanese flag at Nanking should be wiped out. The manifestation was clearly an explosion of popular resentment against the ministry in its treatment of the California and Chinese questions.

Profiting by the lesson of the riots which followed the conclusion of peace between Russia and Japan, the government reduced the risk of violence by refusing to allow a single soldier or policeman at the scene.

The manifestants, many of whom were students, were orderly during the early part of the proceedings. A score of agitators, including a gifted Japanese diplomat, and declared that it had never contributed to the upbuilding of the empire, and had always ended in failure. They declared incidents in China were unbearable.

Suddenly the cry to march on the foreign office was raised, and there was a general stampede, many persons barely escaping being crushed. The crowds surged through the streets, headed by the gesticulating leaders, and reached the foreign office, to find that the high iron gates were locked.

Gunboat to Puerto Plata.

Washington.—Fresh reports of a new revolution in Santo Domingo have sent the gunboat Des Mines churning across the Caribbean from the Venezuelan coast to Puerto Plata. The state department has unofficial information that Puerto Plata, Samana, Sanchez and Sues, all sea ports, have been closed, ostensibly to prevent the revolutionists from getting materials of war.

"Dad" Spanked Tango Dancer.

Philadelphia.—An angry father who objects to the tango turned an open party into a near riot when he pulled his daughter from the arms of a young man, turned her across his knee and gave her a sound spanking.

Miss Wilson to Wed Nov. 25.

Windsor, Vt.—The wedding of Francis Sayre and Miss Jessie Wilson has been announced by Mrs. Woodrow Wilson. The date will be Tuesday, Nov. 25, and the ceremony will take place in the White House.

Western Fuel Co. Is Fined.

San Francisco.—Judge Maurice T. Dooling in the United States district court ordered a fine of \$2,000 imposed on the Western Fuel Co. and directed the imprisonment of David C. Norcross, secretary of the company, for contempt because of the refusal to produce the company's books before the federal grand jury.

Would Be British Subject.

Cotuit, Quebec.—Asserting that there is not a chance of his being deported from Canada within six months and probably not at all, Harry K. Thaw agreed to give up his publicity campaign at the urgent advice of his lawyers, and is considering arrangements whereby he may become a British subject.

8 Negroes Smother in Cell.

Hartem, Tex.—Eight of 11 young negroes placed in a dark cell consisting of plank walls, 9 feet 8 inches long and 7 feet 1 inch wide, smothered to death at the Hartem state convict farm.

Trains Collide, Three Hurt.

Fredonia, Kan.—A Frisco rear-end collision occurred at Fredonia when an extra freight on the track was struck by a through freight as it entered the yards, completely demolishing the engine and five cars.

Paymaster Robbed of \$16,000.

Columbus, S. C.—Four bandits are reported to have held up, shot and robbed a paymaster of \$16,000 at the power plant being constructed at Parr Shale, 22 miles north of here. Bloodhounds were sent to the scene.

Trainmen Want Increase.

Kansas City.—Locomotive engineers and firemen on the roads west of Chicago are going to ask the companies to revise the schedule of wages. Ninety-five thousand men are affected by the proposed movement.

Explosion in Arkansas Mine.

Hartford, Ark.—According to a report reaching here, an explosion in the Bolen coal mine, a few miles outside the city, has entombed three men. It is said their escape is out of the question.

1 DEAD, 2 HURT IN FAMILY QUARREL

MISSOURI FARMER SHOT BY
NIECE'S HUSBAND AFTER AN
ATTACK WITH KNIFE.

SLAYER HELD WITHOUT BAIL

William Taverner Is Accused of Shoot-
ing J. Richard Wasson, After Lat-
ter Had Dropped Gun and At-
tacked Kith With a Knife.

Sedalia.—As a result of a family quarrel, J. Richard Wasson, aged 55, a well-known Pettis county farmer, was shot and killed by William Taverner, husband of Wasson's niece. The shooting took place at the Wasson home, 10 miles north of Sedalia.

Taverner, accompanied by Frank Swope, a brother of Mrs. Taverner, went to Wasson's home to remove his household goods. They were met in the barnyard by Wasson, who, armed with a shotgun and a butcher knife, threatened to kill them if they entered the house.

During a parley the shotgun was taken from Wasson, who attacked both men with the knife. Taverner was slashed across the abdomen in two places and Swope was wounded in two places.

Believing his brother-in-law's life was in danger, Taverner picked the gun off the ground and shot Wasson, the load of shot tearing off the whole left side of his face. Taverner and Swope were placed in jail without bail.

The families of Wasson and Swope are prominent in the county and the killing has created much excitement in their respective neighborhoods.

Cynical View of It.

Gledstone once talked with much enthusiasm of James Russell Lowell about the noble conduct of the United States government in providing pensions to the amount of tens of millions of pounds sterling a year for men who had served in the civil war. "I do not wish to disparage the generosity of my countrymen," was Lowell's reply, "but I may just observe that these persons are voters."

Hit by Pitched Ball: Dies.

Trenton, Mo.—John Cole of Gilman City, Mo., aged 20, died at Trenton from an injury sustained in a baseball game at Ridgeway, Mo. Cole was struck on the head by a pitched ball and rendered unconscious. He revived and watched the game out, then lost consciousness. Examination revealed that his skull had been fractured.

Potato Crop to Be Large.

St. Louis.—Chicago crop experts to the contrary notwithstanding, St. Louis potato dealers say that the crop this year is to be as large as ever and that there are no indications of an advance in price. On the exchange Wisconsin and eastern potatoes sold for 95 cents to \$1 wholesale, which should make the retail price from \$1.15 to \$1.20. This is no advance over the prices of last year at this time, and a decided reduction from those of 1911, when in September potatoes wholesaled for \$1.70 a bushel and steadily advanced until Christmas.

Appointments by Gov. Major.

Jefferson City.—Gov. Major announced the following appointments: Allen C. Southern of Independence as judge of the circuit court of Jackson county, to succeed the late James H. Slower of Kansas City. W. Clyde Johnson of Mexico to succeed the late J. L. Shobe as county school superintendent of Audrain county. C. C. McCormick of Fredericktown as county surveyor of Madison county, to fill a vacancy.

Feeding Wheat to Hogs.

Fulton.—With half a corn crop in north central Missouri, with cash prices on this commodity higher than on wheat, and with other farm products far below normal yield, farmers of this section have turned to the idea of feeding wheat to the hogs this winter. The state agricultural experts have been asked to determine the relative value of wheat and corn as feed for hogs, which never has been done, for the obvious reason that wheat is usually too valuable for feeding operations.

Mutual Brewery Increases Capital.

Jefferson City.—The Mutual Brewing Company of St. Louis has increased its capital stock from \$750,000 to \$1,000,000. A certificate of increase was issued by Secretary of State Roach.

Doctor Loses License for 18 Months.

Kansas City.—The license of Dr. Edward Andrus of Holden was revoked for 18 months by the state health board for selling illegal literature.

\$10,000 Fire at Springfield, Mo.

Springfield.—A fire which was started by children playing with matches in a small barn near West Commercial street spread until two ivory barns, three private barns and a small residence were burned. The loss was \$10,000.

I would have nobody to control me; I would be absolute; and who but I? Now, be that is absolute can do what he likes; he that can do what he likes can take his pleasure; he that can take his pleasure can be content; and he that can be content has no more to desire. So the matter's over; and come what will come, I am satisfied.—Cervantes.

"Is that man who is running around giving advice a lobbyist?" "Certainly not. He is on our side of the argument."

St. Francis Levee Project Adopted.

Caruthersville.—The St. Francis levee district was reorganized at the meeting here of the landowners of the district, composed of Dunklin, New Madrid and Pemiscot counties. The board of supervisors was elected as follows: John Cunningham, Caruthersville, president; Alphonse Wellie, Portageville, vice president; Matt Curren, New Madrid, and Charles Thaddeus and E. C. Randolph, Caruthersville, members of the board, and A. P. Reynolds, Caruthersville, secretary and engineer.

The meeting was addressed by John A. Fox, a member of the national irrigation committee, and John H. Noles, state commissioner of land reclamation.

The purpose of the reorganization is to reconstruct the St. Francis levee at various points between New Madrid and the Arkansas line and to strengthen the parts weakened. The revenue will be derived from local taxation with a small benefit assessment rate per acre.

It is estimated that with this improvement all development in south-east Missouri in reclaiming wet lands will be increased with redoubled energy as the levee protection is the basis for all drainage and land improvement.

The mass meeting was well attended, landowners coming from over the three counties to hear the lecture and to vote on the reorganization. Steps to carry out the plan were begun at the board meeting, and it is now proposed to spend \$500,000 in building the St. Francis levee beyond the danger line of any overflow that may come in the future.

Schneider's Aids Are Named.

Jefferson City.—Gov. Major has announced the appointment of Benjamin M. Neal of Greenfield and Charles E. Goodman of Lamar as associate immigration commissioners. He recently appointed as chief immigration commissioner John J. Schneider of Springfield. The appointment of the three members of the commission is for a term of four years from August 15. The headquarters of the commission will be at Springfield. The last legislature appropriated \$15,000 to carry on the work and pay the salaries of the members of the commission and its clerks for the years 1913 and 1914. The salary of the chief commissioner is \$2,000 a year. The associate commissioners receive \$5 a day when actually employed. The governor appointed C. C. Davidson of Springfield as clerk at \$1,500 a year.

Missouri Negro, 143, Dies.

Jefferson City.—Richard Hoops, a negro, who said he was 143 years old, and who always declared he was living at Yorktown at the surrender of Lord Cornwallis to Gen. Washington, died at his home in Osage City. Hoops probably was several years beyond the century mark, but there is no available record of his real age. John Wendler and Philip Delid of Osage City, both three score and ten years old, have lived all their lives near Osage City. They say when they were boys Hoops was regarded as an old man.

Mule Trade Hit by Drought.

Fulton.—Mule men at the monthly stock sales predicted that Callaway county, the leading mule county in the state, would fall far short of feeding the usual number of hybrids this winter. The "Kingdom" feeds in the neighborhood of 3,000 of the long-eared animals in a normal season, but the drought and the high cost of feed has hurt the trade badly.

Indorse New School Laws.

Fulton.—The presidents and clerks of Callaway county school districts in their final session at Fulton approved all the school legislation passed by the last legislature, including the consolidation of school districts. This proposition has been voted on twice in Callaway since the law was enacted and passed in the Aux Vasse district and was defeated in the Millersburg district.

Obedience Woman's Sole Lot.

In Japan man is the master and woman, if not the slave, his inferior moiety. There is an old precept much quoted in the land of the mikado, "Woman must obey her father when she is a child; her husband when she is married; her son when she is a widow; and although the time has gone when the Japanese male declared "woman has no soul" she is a long way from her emancipation.

Major Guest on Arkansas Road Days.

Jefferson City.—Gov. Major has returned from Little Rock, where he was the guest of Gov. George W. Hays during the Arkansas good road days. He gave the Arkansas executive an exhibition of "plain and fancy shovelling" upon the road of that state, with the regulation working clothes and a good shovel. The Arkansas good road days were patterned after those held in Missouri.